



MINUTES

General Membership Meeting

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Friday, April 17 and Saturday, April 18, 2009

Renaissance Washington DC Hotel

Washington, DC

In Attendance: **President** Edmond D. Alizadeh, Esq., P.E.; **President-Elect** David E. Lourie, P.E., R.B.P.; **Secretary/Treasurer** James W. Martin, P.E., R.B.P.; **Directors-at-Large** David R. Gaboury, P.E., Mark K. Kramer, P.E., David A. Schoenwolf, P.E., Michael V. Smith, P.G., C.E.G., and Steven D. Thorne, P.E.; **Director Nominee** Kurt R. Fraese, L.G.; **Terra Liaison** James L. Withiam, Ph.D.; **Executive Vice President** John P. Bachner; **Chief Information Officer** Sarah P. Lanning; **Operations Director** Annemarie Selvitelli; **Associate Operations Director** Eileen M. Price; and an additional 130 persons representing 84 ASFE-Member Firms

1. **Convene**
Mr. Alizadeh convened the meeting at 7:45AM.
2. **Minutes**
UPON MOTION BY DAVID LOURIE, SECONDED BY DAVID GABOURY, AND PASSED, the membership approved as distributed minutes of its April 17-18, 2009 Meeting.
3. **Treasurer's Report**
Mr. Martin reviewed ASFE's financial performance to date in FY2008-09.
4. **Business Practice Committee**
Dr. Matheson reported the Committee's progress.
5. **Construction Materials Engineering and Testing Committee**
Mr. Gregory reported the Committee's progress.
6. **Practice Education Committee**
Mr. Omelchenko reported the Committee's progress.
7. **Member Services Committee**
Mr. DeJidas reported on the Committee's progress.
8. **New Leaders Committee**
Mr. Harwood reported the Committee's progress.
9. **Professional Practice Committee**
Mr. Albin reported the Committee's progress.
10. **The Academy of Geoprofessionals**
Mr. Thorne reported on the creation of the new academy and its progress to date.

11. eBrownbag.com Update

Mr. Bachner reported on the new venture and ASFE's involvement in it. He discussed the next series of presentations he expects to produce.

12. Recess and Reconvene

Mr. Alizadeh recessed the meeting at 3:15PM and reconvened it on Saturday, April 18, at 7:45AM

13. ASFE Strategic Plan

Mr. Alizadeh provided an update of ASFE's new strategic plan and purpose.

14. Legal Affairs Committee

Mr. Yost reported the Committee's progress.

15. Going Green Task Force

Mr. Kramer reported on the Task Force's progress.

16. Next Meeting

Mr. Schoenwolf described plans for the 2009 Fall Meeting in Austin, Texas.

17. Emerging Issues and Trends Committee

Ms. Powell reported on the Committee's progress.

18. Accreditation and Certification Task Force

Mr. Vogt reported the Task Force's progress.

19. Election of Officers and Directors, 2009-10

Mr. Alizadeh reported the slate of directors and officers developed by the Nominating Committee, as follows:

For President, David E. Lourie, P.E., R.B.P. (*Lourie Consultants*),

For President-Elect, James W. Martin, P.E., R.B.P. (*AMEC Earth & Environmental, Inc.*),

For Secretary/Treasurer, David R. Gaboury, P.E. (*Terracon*), and

For Directors-at-Large,

Kurt R. Fraese (*Geoengineers, Inc.*);

Mark K. Kramer, P.E. (*Soil & Materials Engineers, Inc.*),

David A. Schoenwolf, P.E. (*Haley & Aldrich, Inc.*),

Michael V. Smith, P.G., C.E.G. (*Earth Systems Services, Inc.*), and

Steven D. Thorne, P.E. (*Melick-Tully Associates, Inc.*).

Mr. Alizadeh reported that ASFE-Member Firms had submitted 70 mail ballots, all voting for the slate as presented. Members submitted no write-in nominations. Mr. Alizadeh asked for nominations from the floor; none was offered. **UPON MOTION BY JAMES JOHNSTON, SECONDED BY CHESTER DRASH, AND PASSED**, members closed nominations. **UPON MOTION BY JAY MARTIN, SECONDED BY CHESTER DRASH, AND PASSED**, the members instructed the Secretary to cast a single, unanimous ballot for the slate as presented.

20. Thanks to Ed Alizadeh

President Lourie expressed ASFE's appreciation to Mr. Alizadeh, and presented to him an inscribed gavel as a memento of his service.

21. Remarks of President Lourie

Mr. Lourie described his plans for the year and urged all members to become involved.

22. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before it, and **UPON MOTION DULY SECONDED AND PASSED**, the membership adjourned its meeting at 3:10PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John Bachner

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Executive Vice President